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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR SYRIAN TREATY LANGUAGE

REF: DAMASCUS 5276

1. IN AUGUST 21 MEETING I REMINDED KHADDAM OF SECRETARY'S REQUEST FOR A DRAFT PEACE TREATY, OR ALTERNATIVELY, FOR SYRIA'S IDEAS IN FORM OF SERIES OF DETAILED POINTS WHICH DAMASCUS WANTED DEALT WITH IN TREATY. SAID WE HOPED THESE WOULD BE SUBMITTED BY FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER. KHADDAM REPLIED THAT USG HAD AMPLE KNOWLEDGE OF SYRIA'S DETAILED POSITIONS FROM EARLIER MEETINGS IN GENEVA, DAMASCUS AND WASHINGTON. I NOTED WHILE THIS WAS TRUE

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WE NONETHELESS WANTED THEM IN EITHER OF ABOVE FORMATS AND IN SYRIA'S OWN WORKS. KHADDAM SAID HE HAD NOT YET HAD A CHANCE TO DISCUSS THIS REQUEST WITH PRESIDENT, SINCE HE, KHADDAM, HAD ONLY JUST RETURNED FROM SEVERAL DAYS PRIVATE VISIT TO PARIS. HE PROMISED DISCUSS IT WITH ASSAD ASAP.

2. COMMENT:

I SENSE CONSIDERABLE RELUCTANCE ON PART OF BOTH
ASSAD AND KHADDAM TO COMMIT THEIR THOUGHTS TO PAPER
IN THIS EXERCISE BUT WILL CONTINUE TO PRESS THEM.

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